

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended) A dispensing container including a selectively removable cap to which a variety of articles may be securely and selectively attached, comprising:

a dispensing body in which material for dispensing is stored, the dispensing body including a closed end, at least one side wall and an open end through which the material is dispensed;

a cap shaped and dimensioned for selectively covering the open end of the dispensing body, the cap including a first end shaped and dimensioned for engaging the open end of the dispensing body for secure and selective attachment thereto and a closed second end including a clasp extending therefrom;

the clasp including a first arm and a second arm, the first arm includes a first arcuate member and a first upwardly extending connecting member ~~linking the first arcuate member to~~ integrally formed with the cap, and the second arm includes a second arcuate member and a second upwardly extending connecting member ~~linking the second arcuate member to~~ integrally formed with the cap; the first arm and the second arm extending from the cap in a spaced relationship and being oriented upon the cap so as to overlap in a mating configuration with the first arm lying over the second arm, the first arcuate member and the second arcuate member overlapping through a substantial portion of their respective arcs.

2. (Currently amended) The dispensing container according to claim 1, wherein the ~~first~~ second arcuate member has a slightly smaller radius of curvature than the ~~second~~ first arcuate member.

3. (Original) The dispensing container according to claim 2, wherein the first arcuate member extends along an arc which is larger than the arc of the second arcuate member.
4. (Currently amended) The dispensing container according to claim 3, ~~wherein the first arm includes a first upwardly extending connecting member linking the first arcuate member to the cap and the second arm includes a second upwardly extending connecting member linking the second arcuate member to the cap, and~~ wherein the first upwardly extending connecting member is longer than the second upwardly extending connecting member.
5. (Original) The dispensing container according to claim 1, wherein the first arcuate member extends along an arc which is larger than the arc of the second arcuate member.
6. (Original) The dispensing container according to claim 1, wherein the first arm and the second arm are positioned approximately 2 mm or less from one another.
7. (Currently amended) The dispensing container according to claim 1, ~~wherein the first arm includes a first upwardly extending connecting member linking the first arcuate member to the cap and the second arm includes a second upwardly extending connecting member linking the second arcuate member to the cap, and~~ wherein the first upwardly extending connecting member is longer than the second upwardly extending connecting member.

8. (Currently amended) A dispensing container including a selectively removable cap to which a variety of articles may be securely and selectively attached, comprising: a dispensing body in which material for dispensing is stored, the dispensing body including a closed end, at least one side wall and an open end through which the material is dispensed; a cap shaped and dimensioned for selectively covering the open end of the dispensing body, the cap including a first end shaped and dimensioned for engaging the open end of the dispensing body for secure and selective attachment thereto and a closed second end including a clasp extending therefrom; the clasp including a first arm and a second arm, the first arm includes a first arcuate member extending along an arc of at least 120 degrees and a first upwardly extending connecting member ~~linking the first arcuate member to~~ integrally formed with the cap, and the second arm includes a second arcuate member extending along an arc of at least 120 degrees and a second upwardly extending connecting member ~~linking the second arcuate member to~~ integrally formed with the cap; the first arm and the second arm extending from the cap in a spaced relationship and being oriented upon the cap so as to overlap in a mating configuration with the first arm lying over the second arm, the first arcuate member and the second arcuate member overlapping through at least a 60 degree arc.

9. (Currently amended) The dispensing container according to claim 8, wherein the ~~first~~ second arcuate member has slightly smaller radius of curvature than the ~~second~~ first arcuate member.

10. (Original) The dispensing container according to claim 9, wherein the first arcuate member extends along an arc which is larger than the arc of the second arcuate member.

11. (Original) The dispensing container according to claim 9, wherein the first arm and the second arm are positioned approximately 2 mm or less from one another.
12. (Original) The dispensing container according to claim 9, wherein the first upwardly extending connecting member is longer than the second upwardly extending connecting member.
13. (Original) The dispensing container according to claim 8, wherein the first arcuate member extends along an arc which is larger than the arc of the second arcuate member.
14. (Original) The dispensing container according to claim 8, wherein the first upwardly extending connecting member is longer than the second upwardly extending connecting member.
15. (Original) The dispensing container according to claim 8, wherein the first arcuate member includes a proximal end connected to the first upwardly extending connecting member and a free distal end and the second arcuate member includes a proximal end connected to the second upwardly extending member and a free distal end, and wherein the distal ends of both the first arcuate member and the second arcuate member are tapered.

16. (Currently amended) A cap to which a variety of articles may be securely and selectively attached, the cap being adapted for use in conjunction with a dispensing body in which material for dispensing is stored, the dispensing body including a closed end, at least one side wall and an open end through which the material is dispensed, wherein the cap is shaped and dimensioned for selectively covering the open end of the dispensing body, the cap comprising: a first end shaped and dimensioned for engaging the open end of the dispensing body for secure and selective attachment thereto and a closed second end including a clasp extending therefrom; the clasp including a first arm and a second arm, the first arm includes a first arcuate member and a first upwardly extending connecting member ~~linking the first arcuate member to~~ integrally formed with the cap, and the second arm includes a second arcuate member and a second upwardly extending connecting member ~~linking the second arcuate member to~~ integrally formed with the cap; the first arm and the second arm extending from the cap in a spaced relationship and being oriented upon the cap so as to overlap in a mating configuration with the first arm lying over the second arm, the first arcuate member and the second arcuate member overlapping through a substantial portion of their respective arcs.

17. (Currently amended) The cap according to claim 16, wherein the ~~first~~ second arcuate member has slightly smaller radius of curvature than the ~~second~~ first arcuate member.

18. (Original) The cap according to claim 17, wherein the first arcuate member extends along an arc which is larger than the arc of the second arcuate member.

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19. (Original) The cap according to claim 16, wherein the first arcuate member extends along an arc which is larger than the arc of the second arcuate member.

20. (Original) The cap according to claim 16, wherein the first arm and the second arm are positioned approximately 2 mm or less from one another.